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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

Responsive to the office action of January 9, 2004, a terminal disclaimer and a certificate under 37 CFR §3.73(b) are submitted herewith.

Claims 1-20 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-19 of U.S. Patent No. 6,420,808. This rejection should be overcome by the terminal disclaimer, which disclaims the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which extends beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent No. 6,420,808.

The claims being patentable over all other art of record, withdrawal of the rejection and early allowance are solicited. If any objections remain, a call to the undersigned is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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